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Enogex Joins EPA's Natural Gas STAR Program

Company also reduces transmission system fuel percentage, resulting in pipeline customer savings

OKLAHOMA CITY – Enogex, Inc., a subsidiary of OGE Energy Corp., today announced it has partnered with the Environmental Protection Agency in its Natural Gas STAR Program to reduce methane emissions.

"We look forward to being a part of the Natural Gas STAR Program. This program is an excellent example of government and industry working together to find solutions to environmental issues. By participating, we will keep up-to-date on the latest approaches for reducing methane emissions while improving our efficiency," said Pete Delaney, OGE Energy Corp. Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of Enogex.

Natural Gas STAR, a voluntary EPA partnership with the natural gas industry, works to reduce methane emissions by encouraging the use of cost-effective technologies and practices. Methane, the primary component of natural gas, is considered to be a greenhouse gas. In partnering with EPA, Enogex is committed to minimizing methane emissions and protecting the environment.

Natural Gas STAR Program Manager, Roger Fernandez, notes that "Natural Gas STAR is a win-win approach to addressing concerns about global climate change. Natural Gas STAR partners reduce gas losses, improve operational efficiencies, and save money while protecting the environment by reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and other air pollutants. EPA is excited to be working with Enogex to meet these important economic and environmental goals."

Launched in 1993 as part of the Climate Change Action Plan, this cooperative partnership now has more than 100 partner companies and is endorsed by 11 major industry trade associations. STAR partners have prevented more than 275 billion cubic feet of methane emissions to our atmosphere—the equivalent of removing 24 million cars from the road for one year or planting more than 33 million acres of trees.

Citing continued investment in its pipeline and systems to improve the value of services, the company also recently notified customers of a reduction in the Oklahoma transmission system fuel percentage for 2004. The newly filed system fuel percentage, applicable to the Enogex transmission system effective Jan. 1, is 1.35 percent. This represents a 19.6 percent net decrease in system fuel percentage.

“Our entering into this partnership with EPA and our ability to reduce the transmission system fuel percentage can both be directly linked back to the hard work of our employees,” said Dan Harris, Enogex Vice President and Chief Operating Officer. “Our team at Enogex continues to demand that we serve our customers in the best way we can in way which also helps protect our environment.”

Enogex, a subsidiary of OGE Energy Corp. (NYSE: OGE), is a natural gas pipeline business with principal operations in Oklahoma and Arkansas.

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